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### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated May 16, 2005, for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for August 16, 2005. An **Amendments to the Claims** section begins on page 3 of this paper. A **Remarks/Arguments** section begins on page 14 of this paper.